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1. At intervals of four or five months, a special office of the East German News Agency (00302/17-01A-RDP83-00415R010500150003-5) usually some of the section heads attend these sessions. One of the chief editors leads the criticism. He keeps himself informed about the work of the section by means of the daily bulletin, and puts out a circular letter every month or two.

2. The head of the Soviet Union desk is Helmut Heine.

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3. The section is divided into two sub-sections, one editorial and one for translation. The section also includes Gerda Arlt, who will be sent to the Walter Ulbricht School of Management at Forst Zinna in January, and Alexander Peyerherd. Both of these are editors. Eva Preuss, formerly a translator, is an assistant editor.
4. The translation section has Felix Brubns as translator-editor, and four other translators.
5. The arrangements in the section were altered after the critical meeting of 12 December. Hube was appointed as leader of the criticism, but he was too weak and found no ground of complaint against Heine, Schreiber, the secretary of the office unit of the Socialist Unity Party (SED) caused him to alter his remarks at the last minute, and a commission for the reorganization of the section was set up, consisting of Hansen, Kahane, Kaeppf, Hube and Brubns.
6. It was very difficult to handle the arrival of the Demokratische Deutsche Republik Delegation in Paris. It proved impossible to set up a direct connection with Paris and obtain the original texts of speeches. The speeches of Hols and Ebert had to be picked up in Russian translation from Tass and re-translated into German for distribution to the press.
7. On 11 December the ADN waited in vain for news from Paris. It was announced that Hols' speech would come by way of Prague at 1800 hours, but it never appeared. At 2300, Eisler suddenly appeared in the ADN office, and had a hot argument with Hansen, Kahane and Schreiber. He made it clear that the East Zone Press must have news from Paris, even though it were not authentic, as it was intolerable that the East Zone should get its news from the West Zone and RIAS. The news should be gathered from such agencies as Reuter and re-worked for East Zone consumption.

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